



**HISPANIC LAWYERS ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS
JD “Juntos Destacando” MENTORS PROGRAM
PUBLIC INTEREST FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION - \$2,500**

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: April 7, 2008



To be eligible for this public interest fellowship you must -

- Secure employment with a government, non-profit, or public interest agency performing legal or legal related work. Preference will be given to applicants serving the Hispanic community.
- Complete and submit this form (including the submission of a short essay about your commitment to serving the legal and social needs of the Hispanic community).
- Provide a copy of your law school transcript

All information solicited in this application is for the sole purpose of assisting the Scholarship Committee in the evaluation of applicants. Applicants may attach additional pages if necessary to explain any answer. By submitting this application, the applicant consents to verification by the Scholarship Committee of the information furnished herein.

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Current Mailing Address:

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Place of Birth:

City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____

Are you of Hispanic Ancestry: ___ Yes ___ No

Explain Hispanic Ancestry: _____

B. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Were you claimed as a Dependent on anyone's Federal Income Tax Return for the 2007 Tax Year? _____. If so, specify relationship of person(s) claiming you.

Will you be claimed as a Dependent on anyone's Federal Income Tax Return for the 2008 Tax Year? ____.

If so, specify relationship of person(s) claiming you, _____.

What was your **total income** on your Federal Income Tax Return from all sources for the 2007 Tax Year (if married, include your spouse's income)? \$ _____

If in school, list all financial aid received or expected for the 2007-2008 school year.

| <u>Loans/Scholarships</u> | <u>Source</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| _____ | _____ | \$ _____ |
| _____ | _____ | \$ _____ |
| _____ | _____ | \$ _____ |
| <u>Other</u> | | |
| _____ | _____ | \$ _____ |

C. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Undergraduate Institution: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Dates of Attendance: _____ GPA: _____

Honors, Awards, or Special Recognitions:

Extracurricular Activities:

Graduate Institution: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Dates of Attendance: _____ GPA: _____

Honors, Awards, or Special Recognitions:

Extracurricular Activities:

Law School (must be presently enrolled): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Dates of Attendance: _____ GPA: _____

Honors, Awards, or Special Recognitions:

Extracurricular Activities:

ACTION ITEM 1 – PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF YOUR LAW SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT WITH THIS APPLICATION. (Unofficial transcripts will be accepted but we reserve the right to request official transcripts).

D. COMMUNITY SERVICE INFORMATION

Describe any current involvement in community service activities.

| Dates | Organization/Activity | Role/Position/Title |
|-------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | _____ | _____ |

E. OTHER INFORMATION

Have you ever been convicted of any crime, other than a moving violation not involving alcohol or drugs? If so, please attach detailed explanation.

What are your career goals?

Provide the name and location of where you will be employed for summer 2008, as well as a contact person so that we may verify your employment.

ACTION ITEM 2 – PLEASE EXPLAIN IN TWO PAGES OR LESS YOUR COMMITMENT TO SERVING THE LEGAL AND SOCIAL NEEDS OF THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY.

F. APPLICANT’S CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that I am not related (by blood or marriage) to any officer of the Hispanic Lawyers Association of Illinois (HLAI) or HLAI Charities. All information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I consent to verification by the Scholarship Committee of the information furnished herein.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please mail, e-mail or fax the completed application by **April 7, 2008** to:

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